NEW YORK STATE

Council on Developmental Disabilities

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Governor

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Executive Director

FULL COUNCIL
Meeting Packet

WHEN:
Thursday June 11, 2025
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

WHERE:
Crowne Plaza Albany – Desmond Hotel
660 Albany Shaker Road
Albany, NY 12211
and
Via ZOOM

MATERIALS:
This Meeting Packet

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NYS Council on Developmental Disabilities
Full Council Meeting – Hybrid- In Person and via Zoom
Wednesday, June 11, 2025

NOTE: Please log in 15 minutes early.

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ACRONYMS

CSCC	**Community and Systems Change Committee**
CDD	**Council on Development Disabilities**
DDPC	**Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (former name of the CDD)**
FFY	**Federal Fiscal Year**
HRIL	**Housing Resources for Independent Living**
IDD	**Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities**
IFC	**Individuals and Families Committee**
OPDV	**Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence**
OPWDD	**Office for People With Development Disabilities**
PPR	**Program Performance Report**

FULL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

9:30 – 9:45 AM	**Welcome, Call to Order, and Introductions** ○ Dave Deuel, Chair ○ Ketrina Hazell, Vice Chair
9:45 – 10:00 AM	**Meeting Minutes:** **Approval of February 27, 2025 Full Council Minutes** ○ Review and Vote
10:00 – 10:15 AM	**Funding Motion: Housing Resources for Independent Living (HRIL) Contract Extension** ○ Jackie Hayes, Program Planner, Community & Systems Change Committee
10:15 – 10:45 AM	**CDD Leadership Reports** ○ **Chair Report:** Dave Deuel ○ **Caucus Report:** Shameka Andrews
10:45 – 11:00 AM	**Break** - Please be back promptly at 11:00 AM
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	**CDD Staff Reports** ○ **Executive Director Report:** Kristin Proud ○ **Fiscal Report:** Jesse Kendall ○ **Inclusion & Accessibility Update:** Jackie Hayes ○ **State Plan Development:** Jenn Goldman
12:00 – 1:00 PM	**Lunch** - Please be back promptly at 1:00 PM
1:00 – 2:00 PM	**Presentation: NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence – Building Collaboration Between Domestic Violence Services Providers and Developmental Disabilities Services Providers** ○ Esther Chong, Project Coordinator, NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence ○ Kathy Grant, Assistant Director of Equity and Inclusion, NYS Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence
2:00 – 2:45 PM	**Open Forum:** Council Members Remarks and Input/Comments
2:45 – 3:00 PM	**Public Comment**
3:00 PM	**Adjournment of Council Meeting**

Call to Order & Approval of Minutes

Meeting Minutes and Other Motions require a vote.

Please review the Meeting Minutes and Motions before the meeting.

CDD Staff will provide more information about each Motion at the meeting.

Feel free to ask questions at the meeting or ask for more information.

Clicker/Voting Directions

For efficiency and accuracy of voting, Council Members will be using an automated system.

Voting In Person: use physical clicker
Voting Remotely: log into voting application

Directions, the Event Code, and Your Unique ID will be emailed to you individually prior to the meeting.

CDD's Remote Voting Guide

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joincloudvote.com

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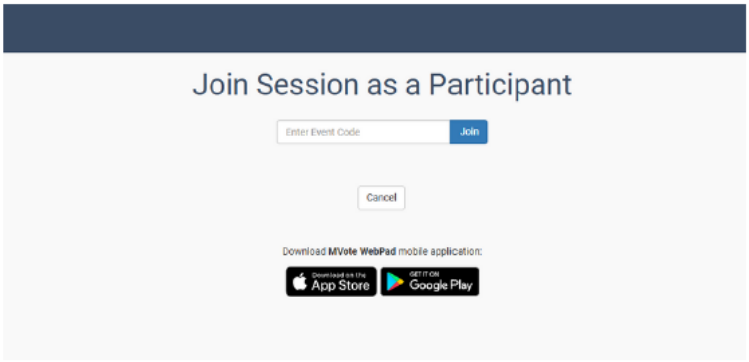

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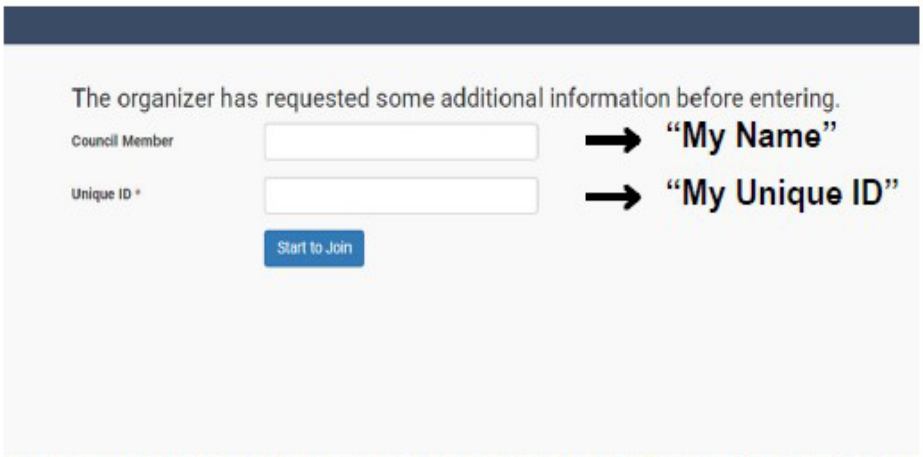

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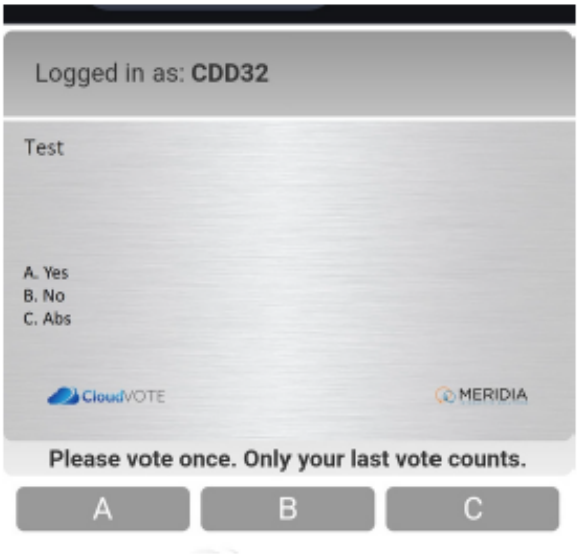

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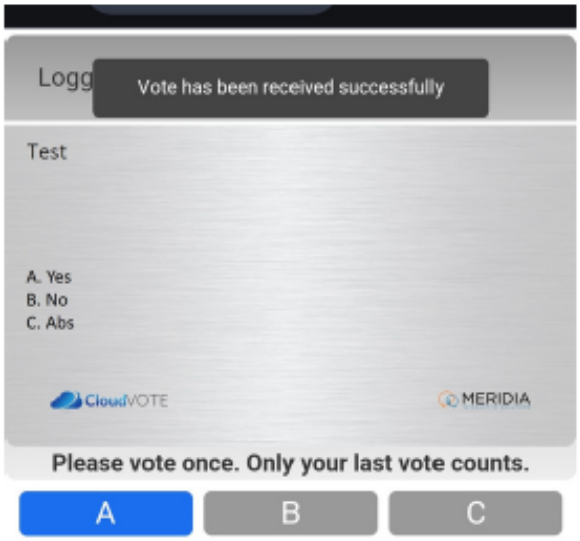

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Remote Attendance	**Absent**
Bin Feng Amanda Haught Suzannah Iadarola Joanne Siegel Deb Thivierge	David Feickert Daniel Cunningham Julie Keegan

Guest Presenters Attending:
Carol Napierski, Vice President of Program Development & Grant Management and Seth Greenman, Project Director, Housing Resources for Independent Living (HRIL),
NY Alliance for Inclusion and Innovation

Welcome and Opening Remarks
The meeting was called to order at 9:40 AM by CDD Caucus Member and Individuals and Families Committee (IFC) Chair Shawn Fultz, with welcoming remarks from CDD Council Chair David Deuel. Quorum was established by calling the roll with introductions. An overview of Zoom procedures was provided. The meeting was chaired by Shawn Fultz.

Approval of Minutes.
Vincent McLaughlin made a motion to approve minutes from the October 30, 2024 full Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Shameka Andrews. There were no requested changes to the previous minutes. There were 20 votes in the affirmative. There were 4 abstentions: Deborah Thivierge, NYS DOH, Valeriya Gregory, and Xavier Skeeter. The minutes were approved.

Presentation: Housing Resources for Independent Living (HRIL) -- NY Alliance for Inclusion & Innovation

Presenter(s): Carol Napierski, VP of Program Development & Grant Management; Seth Greenman, Project Director, HRIL

Project Highlights:

- Currently in its third year, looking ahead to years 4 and 5.
- To date, the NY Alliance has created comprehensive online library featuring nearly 300 resources focused on non-certified housing options for people with developmental disabilities.
- Conducted an internal review and research to identify gaps in resources for stakeholders.
- Studying life transitions including adult services and aging (school-age to adult life).

Member Discussion:
Deb Thivierge expressed thanks for creating an incredible resource that is much easier to navigate. Naome Adam expressed concern about getting this information out to care managers and people who coordinate staffing. Carol Napierski explained HRIL will be working with care coordination organizations in the future. Bin Feng suggested that housing should be a goal for transitions. Adan Islam shared that OPWDD has launched the Independent Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Ombudsman Program. There are resources on the site applicable to people living in certified settings.

Priorities Ranking Exercise:
CDD Executive Director Kristin Proud reviewed the prioritization ranking of previously approved funding motions. Council members discussed all previously approved funding motions and assigned them a priority ranking.

Member Discussion:
If the Council gets to a point at which the next funding motion on the ranked list is greater than the amount of funding available, the CDD will move to the next highest ranked priority that fits within the fiscal parameters at that time. Ketrina Hazell suggested that the peer mentoring funding (#7) motion include peer mentoring for adults as well. Vincent McLaughlin made a motion to approve the ranking worksheet reflecting the Council members' rankings of each funding motion as presented by CDD Executive Director Kristin Proud, subject to passing over funding motions for which sufficient funds are not available in favor of the next prioritized motion that can be fully funded with the passed over motion to be implemented if/when funds become available. The motion was seconded by Deb Thivierge. There were 16 votes in the affirmative. There were 3 votes in the negative. There were 4 abstentions: representatives from NYS OPWDD, RFK, NYSED2, and NYS DOH. The motion was approved.

Funding Motion: Advocacy Institute
CDD Federal Liaison, Jennifer Goldman presented a motion to fund up to $25,000 each year for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 and FFY 2026 to be used by the CDD to host an in-person advocacy learning opportunity for self-advocates, family members, and caregivers who are new to advocacy.

and prioritize the Advocacy Institute before any previously approved funding motion that is pending funding availability. Approximately 30 people participated in the 2024 Advocacy Institute. Vincent McLaughlin made a motion to approve the Advocacy Institute funding motion. The motion was seconded by Jaime Harla. There were 22 votes in the affirmative. There were no votes in the negative. There was one abstention: Joshua Christiana. The motion was passed.

Leadership Reports:

Chair Report

CDD Chairperson Dave Deuel delivered the CDD Chair's report. The Health Hub has replaced the multiple-systems-navigator. The resource is not disability exclusive but includes disability resources.

Caucus Report

Shameka Andrews, Caucus Chair presents the Caucus report. The Caucus welcomed new Caucus member Adan Islam to her first in-person meeting, who spoke about the importance of sibling advocacy. Presentation from Office of Advocacy Services (OPWDD). Discussion on priorities and challenges that should be addressed in the coming year.

Executive Director Report

CDD Executive Director Kristin Proud presented on the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2025-26 Executive Budget. For the first time, there is a State General Fund appropriation for to support the CDD's operations in the Governor's proposed budget, which was released on January 21, 2025. This appropriation is subject to budget negotiations between the Governor, the State Senate, and the Assembly. Executive Director Kristin Proud and CDD Counsel Krista Rock provided update on federal issues, including the federal budget.

Fiscal Report

CDD Fiscal Analyst Jesse Kendall delivered the CDD Fiscal Report.

Inclusion and Accessibility Update

CDD Program Planner Jackie Hayes delivered updates on inclusion and accessibility work, highlighting activities undertaken to develop the next CDD State Plan.

State Plan Development:

CDD Federal Liaison Jennifer Goldman presented an update on the development of 2027-2031 State Plan. The CDD had its first focus group with the Arc of New York in February. State Plan development will include hosting focus groups with community partners, self-advocates, family members and caregivers, and providers. CDD focus groups will be held throughout March and April, including focus groups during April CDD committee meetings. The CDD will launch a statewide public input survey in May 2025. The CDD is conducting pop-up polling on social media.

The Story of Paul & Hava – Video & Presentation

Drew Webster presented a video project produced by the CDD in partnership with OGS Media Services.

Announcements

Dave Deuel announced the next CDD Full Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 2025.

List any member announcements.

Shameka Andrews provided an update on federal and state movements toward changing the

marriage penalty, as well as the “Consumer Wheelchair Repair Bill of Rights” legislation introduced in the State Legislature (A6569/S4500).

Adjournment
Jaime Harla made a motion to adjourn the Council meeting. Peter Cole seconded the motion. With no further business, Shawn Fultz adjourned the meeting at 3:25 PM.

FUNDING MOTION
COMMUNITY & SYSTEMS CHANGE COMMITTEE

Housing Resources for Independent Living (HRIL)
Proposed 2-Year Contract Extension

MOTION 1: To fund the amount of $480,000 ($240,000 per year for 2 years) to the NY Alliance for Inclusion and Innovation to enhance and expand the NY Housing Resource Center and provide education to the developmental disabilities field on community-based housing options.

Note: *The CDD passed a Funding Motion in October 2022 that included the option to extend the HRIL contract for an additional two years, dependent on grantee performance and an evaluation of the first three years.*

WHY IS THIS NEEDED? Self-advocates, family members, and caregivers identified a need for easily available, accessible, and centralized information about non-certified housing options in the community for people with developmental disabilities.

HOW MUCH MONEY IS THE GRANT? $480,000

HOW LONG WILL IT LAST? 2 years

HOW WILL THIS PROJECT HELP? This project will provide much needed information to families, caregivers and self- advocates on the range of non-certified housing options available.

Goal 2: Families and Caregivers of people with I/DD:
The NYS CDD will increase advocacy opportunities and strengthen capacity of family members and caregivers from diverse communities to practice self-care and provide support to people with IDD to live independently and thrive in the community.

2.2 Family Access to Information, Services, and Supports
By 2026, the NYS CDD will increase the number of training, education and outreach opportunities for family members and caregivers that improve access to services, supports and community resources.

Background
National and international research shows that people with developmental disabilities (DD) are likely to lead a better life when they live with fewer people in less congregated settings. Being able to live in smaller settings in the community is not only cost effective but also leads to better outcomes for people with DD. The ARC of the U.S. conducted a study where they found that most people with DD and their family members wanted people with DD to live in their own homes or apartments.

The ARC study also highlighted that 75 percent of adults with DD in the United States live with a parent or other caregiver and that close to one million households have an aging caregiver over the age of 60. Aging parents and caregivers worry about what will happen to their loved ones when they are gone, including the plan for future housing or sustainability of housing. Research as well as input from people with DD, their families and caregivers, has pointed to the need for housing resources focused on supporting people with developmental disabilities to live in the community and for resources on sustainable housing options for people with developmental disabilities.

To address this need, the NYS Council on Developmental Disabilities (CDD) approved a Funding Motion in October 2022 focused on the creation of housing informational resources. The Funding Motion directed the CDD to release a competitive opportunity focused on creating a statewide repository of information on available non-certified housing options and to facilitate educational opportunities for people with developmental disabilities (DD), their families, caregivers to learn about non-certified housing options. The Funding Motion included language that the CDD could extend the grant by an additional two years based on grantee performance and with approval from the Council membership.

As the result of a competitive RFP, the NY Alliance for Inclusion and Innovation (NY Alliance) was selected to lead this grant initiative called the Housing Resources for Independent Living (HRIL) grant. In the first two years of the grant, the NY Alliance accomplished the following:

- Convened an Advisory Group to meet regularly to inform the project implementation.
- Conducted 27 Focus Groups with people with developmental disabilities and their families and caregivers to get input on how to design a website and informational resources in the most accessible ways.
- Identified gaps in information and the need for more resources on shared living, ownership models, housing planning, finding affordable housing, and self-direction.

- Received input on informational resources that emphasized the need for short video clips, tables of contents with timestamps, and materials in plain language.
- Worked closely with the web designer to ensure accessibility of the website, including plug in features so users can adjust the website view to optimize for screen readers, increase font, and select seizure safe, ADHD, or cognitive disability profiles.
- Cataloged close to 300 housing resources by topic, subtopic, media type, and region and reviewed gaps with key stakeholders.
- Carried out public education on community-based housing options to people with DD, their families and caregivers, and professionals in the field.
- Redesigned and launched the New York State Housing Resource Center for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities: https://nyhrc.org/

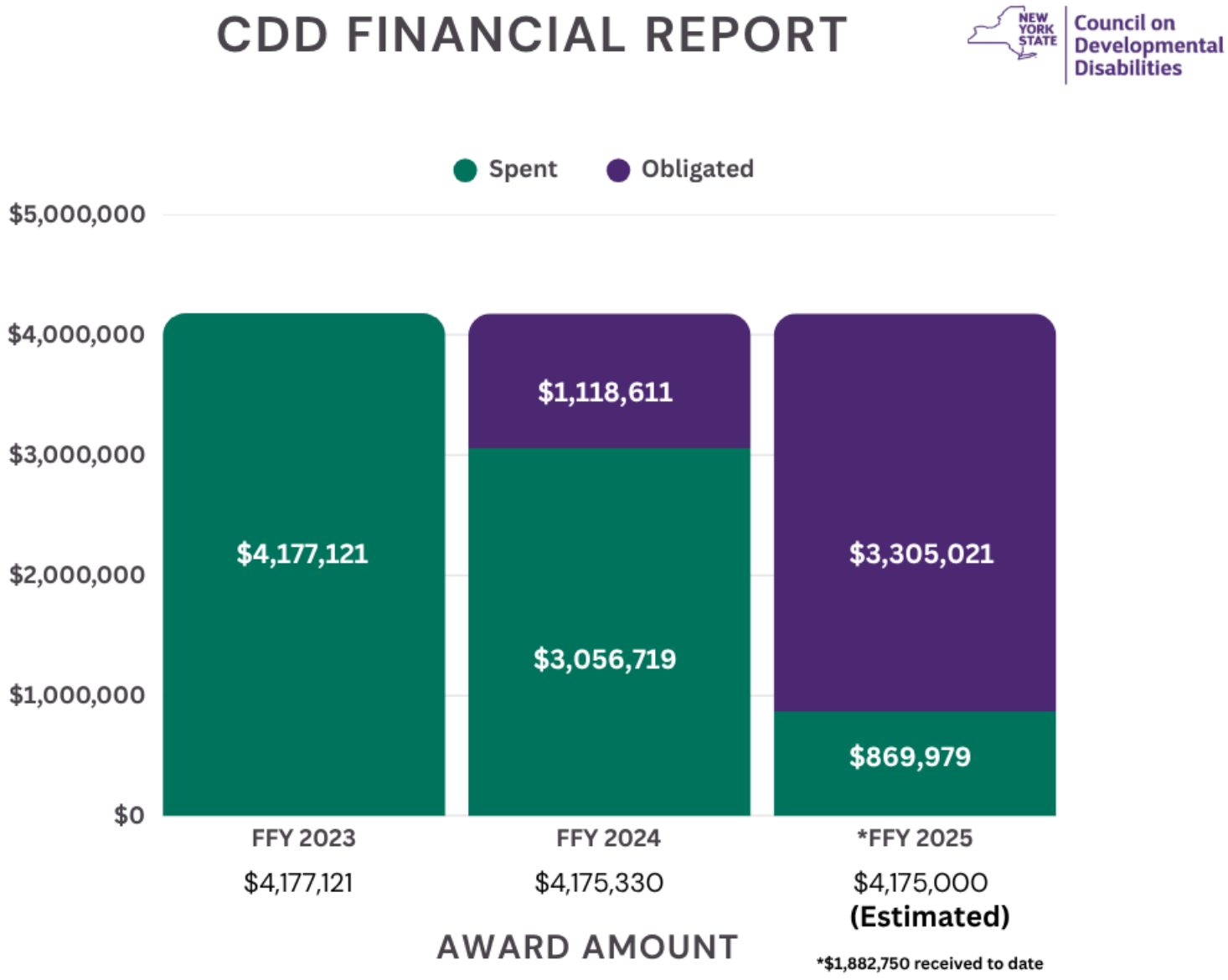
If funded for an additional two years, the NY Alliance aims to carry out the following activities:

- Enhance and expand informational housing resources available on the New York State Housing Resource Center for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.
- Develop additional resources that focus on the informational needs and gaps identified by people with DD and their families and caregivers including planning for housing sustainability for people with DD who are aging, informational resources for aging caregivers concerned about what will happen when they are gone, and resources for various life transitions.
- Ensure that housing resources are available in multiple formats (i.e. short video, script) in plain language and available in other languages.
- Provide continued public educational opportunities including the Community of Practice, a focused learning series, and presentations to key groups upon request.
- Conduct research on best practices and innovative approaches to support services that facilitate independent and community-based housing.
- Conduct research on housing approaches that are parent-driven and advocate-driven.
- Inform future housing policy by identifying best practices that help ensure equity in access and communicate findings to key stakeholders.

Expected Outcomes

- Increased knowledge among people with DD, families and caregivers on non-certified housing options.
- Increased number and availability of informational resources on non-certified housing options in multiple formats and languages.
- Expansion of the NY Housing Resource Center for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.
- Increased educational opportunities for people with DD, families and caregivers on non-certified housing options.

Fiscal Update June 2025



Status of CDD Grants

FFY24 - FFY26

Grantee	Total Funding Amount	Project Name	Start Date	Expiration Date
University of Rochester	$ 750,000.00	Apprenticeship	4/1/2021	3/31/2026
NYS Alliance	$ 720,000.00	Housing Resources for Indpendent Living	1/1/2023	12/31/2025
Yes She Can	$ 450,000.00	Mentorship	10/1/2023	9/30/2026
University of Rochester	$ 1,000,000.00	Onondaga Nation	7/1/2023	6/30/2028
SANYS	$ 375,000.00	DEI	7/1/2022	6/30/2027
AHRC Nassau	$ 740,005.00	CoP in DEI	1/1/2024	12/31/2028
Corporation for Supportive Housing	$ 92,089.00	Targeted Disparity	1/1/2024	5/31/2025
Office for the People of Domestic Violence	$ 600,000.00	Capacity Building	1/1/2022	12/31/2025
Hunter College	$ 800,000.00	Decision Making Curriculum	1/1/2023	12/31/2026
Young Adult Institute	$ 300,000.00	Plain Language	7/1/2023	6/30/2025
Research Foundation for The SUNY Farmingdale	$ 750,000.00	Entrepreneurship	1/1/2023	12/31/2025
University of Rochester	$ 1,500,000.00	Nursing Training	1/1/2023	12/31/2027
Indiana University	$ 210,000.00	FEAT	7/1/2023	6/30/2026
Chinese American Planning Council	$ 420,000.00	FEAT	7/1/2023	6/30/2026
Transportation Small Grants FFY24	$ 110,000.00	Transportation FFY24	4/1/2024	3/31/2025
Transportation Small Grants FFY25	$ 50,000.00	Transportation FFY25	4/1/2025	3/31/2026
Transportation Small Grants FFY26	pending	Transportation FFY26	4/1/2026	3/31/2027
Advocacy Institute	$ 20,000.00	Advocacy Institute	FFY24	FFY24
Advocacy Institute	$ 25,000.00	Advocacy Institute	FFY25	FFY25
Advocacy Institute	$ 25,000.00	Advocacy Institute	FFY26	FFY26
Media Plan	$ 100,000.00	Media Plan	FFY24	FFY24
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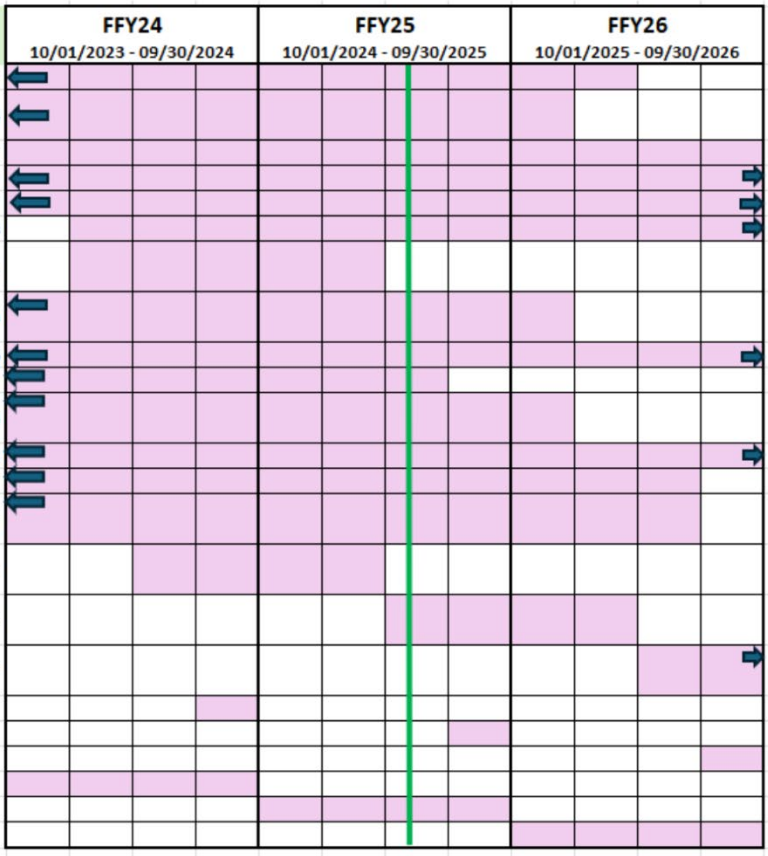

2025 CDD Council Meeting Schedule

Caucus/Full Council

February	Wed. 2/26/25 – Thurs. 2/27/25
June	Tues. 6/10/25 – Wed. 6/11/25
October	Wed. 10/29/25 – Thurs. 10/30/25

Executive Committee

January	Thurs.1/23/25
May	Thurs. 5/08/25
September	Thurs. 9/25/25

Individuals and Families Committee (IFC)

January	Mon. 1/6/25
April	Mon. 4/7/25
September	Mon. 9/8/25

Community and Systems Change Committee (CSCC)

January	Tues. 1/7/25
April	Tues. 4/8/25
September	Tues. 9/9/25